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## In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 3 and 4.

## Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) An antisense compound 8 to 30 nucleobases in length targeted to nucleobases 727-1310 of a nucleic acid molecule encoding TNFR1 (SEQ ID NO:1), wherein said antisense compound inhibits the expression of TNFR1:

## REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are pending in this application. Claims 3 and 4 have been canceled. Claim 1 has been amended. No new matter has been added by this amendment. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of these amendments and the following remarks.

The claims of the present application have been subjected to a Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. \$121 and 37 C.F.R. \$1.141 by the Examiner. The Examiner suggests that the antisense sequences listed in claims 3 and 4 are subject to restriction. It is suggested that claims 3 and 4 specifically claim multiple individual antisense sequences each of which are deemed to be unrelated. The Examiner suggests that although the sequences